Minutes of the Justice Committee

The Justice Committee of the McLean County Board met on Tuesday, May 1, 2018 at 4:34 p.m. in Room 400 of the Government Center, 115 E. Washington Street, Bloomington, Illinois.

Members Present: Chairman George Gordon Members Randall Martin, Scott

Murphy, Dave Selzer, Susan Schafer and George Wendt (via

remote attendance)

Members Absent: Member Carlo Robustelli

Other County Board

Members Present Member Jacob Beard

Staff Present: Mr. William Wasson, County Administrator; Mr. Donald Knapp,

Assistant County Administrator; Ms. Jessica Woods, First Civil Assistant State's Attorney; Mr. Eric Schmitt, Administrative Services Director and Ms. Julie Morlock, Recording Secretary

Department Heads/

Elected Officials Present: Ms. Carla Barnes, Public Defender Office; Kathy Davis,

Coroner; Cassy Taylor, Court Services; Jason Chambers,

State's Attorney; Jon Sandage, Sheriff

Others Present: None

Chairman Gordon called the meeting to order and declared a guorum.

Chairman Gordon presented the minutes of the April 3, 2018 regular meeting and March 20, 2018 special meeting for approval.

Motion by Selzer/Schafer to approve the minutes from the April 3, 2018 regular meeting and March 20, 2018 special meeting minutes. Motion Carried.

Chairman Gordon confirmed there were no appearances by members of the public.

Ms. Kathy Davis, Coroner, presented her monthly reports. Chairman Gordon asked if there were any additional questions for Ms. Davis; hearing none, he thanked her.

Ms. Cassy Taylor, Director, Court Services presented her monthly reports. Ms. Schafer asked her to provide definitions for report headings including, "Total Bonds Filed". Ms. Taylor provided a definition of the different headings on her report. Chairman Gordon asked if the Committee had any additional questions for Ms. Taylor; hearing none, he thanked her.

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Mr. Don Everhart; McLean County Circuit Clerk was not present. Chairman Gordon indicated that if anyone had any questions they could contact Mr. Wasson who would pass those along to Mr. Everhart.

Ms. Carla Barnes, Public Defender presented her monthly report. Mr. Selzer asked how high profile cases affect the overall workload in her office. Ms. Barnes stated the office depends on all of their resources as it does take up time. Ms. Schafer asked how it affects caseloads of other employees. Ms. Barnes stated they utilize contract attorneys for overflow, so they can focus on the high profile case in house. She further stated all staff, including their investigator and resource officer, pull together as a team to cover everything until the case is done. Chairman Gordon asked if there were any questions for Ms. Barnes; hearing none, he thanked her.

Mr. Jon Sandage, McLean County Sheriff presented his monthly report and 2017 year-end report. Ms. Schafer asked about a jail tour for the Justice Committee. Mr. Wasson stated they would plan to do that but it would be in a few months so the Committee could see how the building will be utilized. Mr. Gordon asked Mr. Sandage if there was something specific that helped with the numbers in the summary report. Mr. Sandage indicated they have worked to increase traffic stops for speeding, DUI and distracted driving, which are common denominators in traffic fatalities. He stated he felt that is a main reason fatalities are down and have been for three straight years. Chairman Gordon asked if there were any questions or comments. Mr. Sandage indicated they would be bringing a resolution to stand up to confirm passing their retired K-9 to his handler. Chairman Gordon asked if there were further comments or questions; hearing none, he thanked Mr. Sandage.

Mr. Jason Chambers, McLean County State's Attorney presented his monthly reports. Mr. Selzer asked him how staffing changes and a high profile case would affect workload in his office. Mr. Chambers stated that nationwide turnover in Assistant State's Attorneys is about 25% in a year, but they have not had a resignation in about 15 months so everyone knows and are comfortable with their jobs. He stated he felt because of this they would be able to cover workload as the staffing changes occur in the next several months. He stated he has several resumes of individuals with experience that he can consider to fill any vacancies. Chairman Gordon asked the Committee if there were any questions or comments; hearing none, he thanked Mr. Chambers.

Mr. Wasson presented his monthly report on recent employment activities. Chairman Gordon asked if there were questions for Mr. Wasson; hearing none, he thanked him.

Chairman Gordon asked if there was any other business; hearing none, he moved to payment of the bills.

Chairman Gordon presented the Justice Committee with bills for review and approval as transmitted by the County Auditor with a prepaid total of \$1,285,179.95.

Motion by Murphy/Martin to approve the Justice Committee bills as transmitted by the County Auditor with a prepaid total of \$1,285,179.95. Motion Carried.

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AS OF 4/27/2018 EXPENDITURE SUMMARY BY FUND

Justice Committee

FUND	FUND TITLE	PENDING TOTAL	PREPAID TÓTAL	FUND TOTAL
0001	GENERAL FUND		\$787,198.47	\$787,198.47
0129	CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CNTR		\$29,794.63	\$29,794.63
0138	CIRCUIT CLK/OPER & ADMIN		\$3,188.64	\$3,188.64
0140	CIRCUIT CLERK AUTOMATION		\$137.98	\$137.98
0141	COURT SECURITY		\$13,793.89	\$13,793.89
0142	COURT DOCUMENT STORAGE		\$8,897.51	\$8,897.51
0143	CHILD SUPPORT COLLECTION		\$4,268.35	\$4,268.35
0146	ADULT PROBATION SERVICES		\$4,668.99	\$4,668.99
0152	ASSET FORFEITURE-SAO		\$1,090.78	\$1,090.78
0155	ASSET FORFEITURE-SHERIFF		\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
0156	IDPA IV-D PROJECT		\$28,087.46	\$28,087.46
0170	NEUTRAL SITE CUSTODY EXCH		\$2,833.33	\$2,833.33
0171	CHILDREN'S WAITING ROOM		\$2,208.33	\$2,208.33
0450	ETSB SURCHARGE FUND/E-911		\$141,272.06	\$141,272.06
0452	METRO COMMUNICATIONS CTR		\$252,145.32	\$252,145.32
0506	LAW LIBRARY		\$3,094.21	\$3,094.21
		-	\$1,285,179.95	\$1,285,179.95

Chairman Gordon asked if there was any other business or communication for the Justice Committee; hearing none, he adjourned the meeting at 4:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Morlock

Recording Secretary

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